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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-April, through Sunday, 10th-April there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H2, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

160M WAZ AWARDED

Congratulations to NODXA's member Scottie, WK3N, (the man who never sleeps according to Martti, OH2BH) for receiving his 160 meter WAZ award. This award started in 1975 and less than 35 North American stations have achived this level. If you have never seen one, see WK3N's at: http://s622.photobucket.com/albums/tt306/zebrahauler/?action=view¤t=100_0543.jpg

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF (Update/Possible Change!)

From the Hrane's, YT1AD, Conway Reef Web page, it reports (edited): "After the cancelation of the T31 DXpedition by YT1AD and K3LP with friends, the team organized a DXpedition to the small beautiful Island of Conway Reef, a small Fiji Island in South Pacific area. This island is famous for DXCC as 3D2C. The whole team will arrive in Nadi, Fiji, on September 25th, 2011. Departure from port Suva, September 26th, 2011. Arriving at Conway Reef on September 27th, 2011, afternoon. Activity from Conway Reef will be between October 1-6th, 2011. Departure from Conway Reef to Suva will be October 7th. Arriving at Fiji on October 8th, in the afternoon.

PLEASE NOTICE: Our team has a possibility to change trip from Conway Reef to Rotuma Island according to many requests by the amateur radio operators of the World. Team already has the callsign 3D2R and is now working for landing permit. More information coming later."

LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Before going to print on Sunday, Hrane, YT1AD, has announced that his group will defer their September-October operation to Conway Reef until 2012. It sound as if they are going to join the "Pacific DXers" at Rotuma because they have all the approvals and are planning an operation in October- November (See 3D2/R).

3D2/R, ROTUMA

Eddie, 3D2A/VK4AN, member of the Pacific DXer's, announced:

> "A team of 'PACIFIC DXERS', have 'ALL PERMITS' in place and are planning to sail for Rotuma early October 2011 and operate for 3 weeks (October 15th to November 15th). The team so far consists of: Eddie/3D2A/VK4AN, Rocky/3D2DD, Bill 3D2(?)/VK4FW...others are pending. We already have 24-hr power and accommodation arranged. Most of the 3D2A equipment is in Fiji already. We are seeking expressions of interest from experienced CW/SSB/Digital mode operators and possibly a 6m enthusiast. A 6m beacon will be established on 50.095 MHz. Rigs so far include K3, Flex5000A, Emtron DX1b amp, FT-900, Spiderbeam, wire antennas, DX88 vertical. This will be the anniversary of the FIRST operation from Rotuma by Eddie/ 3D2A/VK4AN...original license was 3D2XX/rotuma in 1988. The callsign has not been issued yet, but we expect to be issued with either 3D2P or 3D20R... The alternative will be 3D2A/R(otuma)."

5B, CYPRUS

Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active as 5B/HA5PP during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via HA5PP.

5W, SAMOA

Before heading to Kanton Island (OC-043), a few of the T31A team will be active from Apia until April 13th. Look for Jay/W2IJ, John/ N7CQQ, Phil/W9IXX and Carlos/EA1IR to be

active as 5W0JK, 5W0QQ, 5W0X and 5W0IR, respectively. Most of the activity has been on 20/17/15/12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via operators' home callsign. The T31A team will leave Apia on April 13th, and sail to Kanton Island for approximately four days. See T31 below for more details.

LAST MINUTE UPDATED: "April 7th - Some team members are in Apia now and have cleared all 11 pallets of equipment through customs without problems. N7CQQ and W2IJ have been on the air as 5W0QQ and 5W0JK and are testing propagation patterns. The other team members will arrive over next few days, and plans are still to leave Apia on April 15th."

8P, BARBADOS

Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as 8P9AA between now and May 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.
PLEASE NOTE: QSL cards for Feb-Apr 2011 operations will be answered in early May 2011.

8P, BARBADOS

Fred, PY2XB, will be active as 8P9XB from St. Philip, Barbados (NA-021) between May 8-21st. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will have a 6m beacon on at 50.099 MHz (Grid Locator GK03gc). QSL via PT7WA.

9A, CROATIA

Look for special event station 9A11P (Nine Alpha ONE ONE Papa) to be active through the end of the year to celebrate the city of Djurdjevac. A special QSL will be issued and all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW.

9N, NEPAL (Reminder)

Operators Dov/4Z4DX/9N7DX and XYL Anat/9N7YL will be active between April 13-30th. Activity will be mainly 20/15/10/6 meters using mostly CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via 4Z4DX. Dov has activated a new Web page for this operation at:

http://www.9n7dx.com

A2, BOTSWANA (Reminder/Update)

Look for operators Steffi/ON3AEO, Filip/ ON4AEO (Team leader), Jose/ON4CJK, Kath/ON7BK Lucas/ZS6ACT, Adele/ZR6APT, Sid/ZS6AYC, Gert/ZS6GC and possibly others to be active as A25FC from a QTH east of Seika (Grid Loc. KG37XA) between April 14-18th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via ON4CJK, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, go to the Web page at:

http://www.filipstattooshop.be/botswana

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS

Kan, JJ2RCJ/AB2RF, will be active as AH0/AB2RF from the Saipan Rental Shack on Northern **Mariana Island (OC-086)** between May 1-5th. Activity will be focused on RTTY and PSK. QSL via JJ2RCJ. For more details about the Saipan Rental Shack, see the following Web page at:

http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english/index.html

C2, NAURU (Update)

The Pacific-DXer's Web page is reporting that the "Callsign should be issued soon (they are requesting C21A), and permission to also use 60m. Expressions of interest have been received from a number of experienced DXers to join us. Operations are now led by Bill, VK4FW, with liaison support by Eddie VK4AN. A Polish group will operate here in Jan-Feb 2012."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Wrap-up Report)

Randy, N0TG, informs OPDX that they are busy working on the QSL design and it will be a few weeks yet before their CY0 QSL cards are printed. Meanwhile, Randy provides the DXpedition's QSO totals: 24117/QSOs, 19867/CW, 3547/SSB and 703/RTTY. Breakdown by bands is as follows:

Band	CW	SSB	Total
160m	1826	--	1986
80m	1519	54	1673
40m	2619	450	3069
30m	2659	--	2659
20m	3871	1488	5359
17m	3394	539	3933
15m	1838	680	2518
12m	1598	247	1845
10m	543	89	632

Randy mentions that only 550 JA stations were worked prior to the earthquake. After that, only 15 more..... He thanks all for the support.

DX-CODE OF CONDUCT (Reminder/Update)

The "DX-Code of Conduct" are some very important guidelines on how to best use your station, as well as providing good operating skills to make it into the DX log in away that is both efficient and follows the ethical standards of operating on the amateur bands. So please visit and become a supporter of the "DX-Code of Conduct" Web page at:

http://dx-code.org

Also, there is a new publication available on the Web site titled "THE NEW DXER'S HANDBOOK" by K7AU at:

http://dx-code.org/newdxer.pdf

Randy, W6SJ, states, "I think you will find it enjoyable, even if you are a pro. Tell your club about it and make sure that new members get a copy. After all, it's an e-book and it's free."

FJ, SAINT BARTHELEMY (Reminder)

YL operator Anne, OH2YL, will be active as FJ/OH2YL from **Saint Barthelemy (NA-146)** between April 15-27th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters and using CW only (on a lower edge of all bands). QSL via OH2YL or LoTW. More details are available at:

http://www.fjoh2yl.com

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND

Members of the DXColombia Amateur Radio Club (DXARC, HK1NA) have announced that the next DXpedition to Malpelo Island will be in 2012, using the callsign HK0NA. All

efforts/organization has been made ??by the Colombian group Team Leader Jorge Prieto, HK1R. The international team will consist of 8 Colombians and 4 foreigners. Operators mentioned currently are Jorge/HK1R, Jahm/HK1T and Pedro/HK1X. Activity will be on all bands and modes (allowed by Colombian laws). More details are forth- coming. A Web page is under construction and is available at:

http://hk0na.wordpress.com

IOTA NEWS

AS-101. Operators Tony/E21IZC, Tana/E27EK, Capitan/HS7UCQ and Wut/ HS8JYX from the Samutsakorn Amateur Radio Club will be active as HS7AT/p from Samui Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via direct to HS7AT.

EU-062. Operators Mek/SP7VC and Waldi/SP7IDX will be active as LA/SP7VC and LA/SP7IDX, respectively, from **Vega Island** between June 23rd and August 2nd. Activity will be holiday style (they plan to do some fishing). They plan to have 2 stations on the air: One for the HF bands and the other for the 50 MHz (Grid Square JP65BQ). Operations will be 80-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. They will also be in the RSG IOTA Contest. Equipment will consist of: IC-746, TS-2000X, HEX beam, R-7 vertical, 6 element yagi for 6m, 500w amp for HF and 6m. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau, direct and also LoTW.

EU-136. Operators Pista/HA5AUC, Ed/HA5BWW and Karl/HA7PC will be active as 9A/homecall from **Rab Island** (JN74JR), Croatia, between April 11-18th. Their radios are IC-756PRO and IC-765, and the antennas are wire verticals on fishing poles. The operation will take place on 80-6 meters, mostly CW, but some SSB as well. QSL via the HA Bureau.

EU-172. Noel, OO4O, will be active as OZ/OO4O from **Fyn Island** (DIA FY-001, WLOTA 2690) between May 1-6th. Activity will be on the HF bands using mostly SSB. QSL via ON Bureau and via the LoTW.

EU-172. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OZ0FR/p from **Aero Island** (DIA FY-014, WLOTA 2676) between August 6-19th. Activity will be mostly CW, with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. For more details and updates, see the Web page at:

http://www.iota-expedition.com/aero11/aero11.html

NA-128. Members of the NA-128 Contest Group will be active this year as XM2I (Multi/Single) from **Isle-aux-Grues** (CISA QC-038, Grid FN47, ARLHS CAN 1390), Quebec, Canada, between July 29-31st, for the 2011 RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). Activity will be on all bands, 80-6 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via VE2CQ. A possible short operation may also take place from Isle-aux-Oies (CISA QC-038, a private island) and ARLHS CAN 973 after the contest. For more details and updates, visit:

http://www.qsl.net/na128cg

NA-221. (Update) Operators Ismael/XE1AY, Gustavo/XE1KKK, Francisco/XE1P, Ricardo/XE1RZL, Raymundo/XE1SOV, Fernando/XE1VGC, Jose/XE1UYU, Martin/XE1UZH, Modesto/XE1UZU, Juan/XE2IA, Jose/XE2IVG and Ricardo/XE3NMC will be active as XF2P on from **Lobos Island** (ARLHS MEX-35), Veracruz, between April 29th and

May 1st. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY, and also the satellites (AO27, AO51 and SO50). QSL via XE1AY. A Web page is now available at:

http://xf2p.puebladx.org/XF2P/Bienvenida.html

SA-095. (Update) Operators Cezar/VE3LYC and Dino/CE3PG have embarked on a project to activate **Pupuya Islands** as CE4A for four days during the second half of November. The operation will take place under the auspices of the Radio Club de Chile. Given the difficulties associated with operating from Pupuya Islands, various contingencies will be considered, including radio equipment, power, transportation, landing, and camping. A Web site will be designed in due course where updates will be posted. QSL via CE3AA.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 11-17th)

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Apr  11    AN          SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Apr  12    AN          --------------------
Apr  13    AN          BN - Below Normal
Apr  14    AN          AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Apr  15    AN          LN - Low Normal
Apr  16    AN          HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Apr  17    AN          DIS  - Disturbed
                       VDIS - Very Disturbed

  GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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  QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
          0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
  UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
          7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
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KP4, PUERTO RICO (Special Event)

Once again members of the Radio Oper- adores Del Este (RODE) Club will be active as part of the activities from the Jesus. T. Pinero house museum on April 17th, in Canovanas, Puerto Rico. They will be active on the HF bands using CW, Digital modes and possibly on SSB, plus AM operation with vintage radio equipment. Jesus was the first Puertorican Govenor and held the callsign 4KT. QSL via KP3RE.

OL950, CZECH REPUBLIC (Special Event)

Members of the Radio Club OK1KWN will activate special event station OL950CHEB between May 1-31st. Activity is to celebrate "the first documented, written information about the town Cheb" and its 950th anniversary. For more information about the city of Cheb, go to:

http://www.mestocheb.eu
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cheb

QSL via OK1MO, by the Bureau or direct(w/SASE). Use e-QSL for only Digital operations. QSL is valid for Castles Awards: OK-00302, KA-034, HR 0005.

P4, ARUBA

Dee, W1HEO, will continue to be active as P4/W1HEO from **Aruba (SA-036)** until April 16th. Activity will be from the P49V contest station and will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB, with emphasis on the higher HF and 30/17/12 meter bands. Operations will be on the

IOTA frequencies:

CW - 10115, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz

SSB - 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz

Although this is a semi-holiday outing, major effort will be devoted to maximizing operating time. A special color photo QSL will be available. QSL direct only to the W1HEO (**(QRZ.com)** address) or by the Bureau.

PACIFIC TOUR

Masahiko, JH4VUC, plans to activate the following islands during the last few weeks in the month of April. Activity from all islands will be on 40/15/10/6 meters using 500 watts and SSB. QSL via his home callsign. His tentative schedule is:

April 17-19th - Saipan, Mariana Islands; callsign AH0CD

April 20-22nd - Guam; callsign AH0CD/KH2

April 23-25th - Palau; callsign T88VU

PJ2, CURACAO (Reminder)

Operators Jan-Willem/PA7JWC and Monique/PD7DB will be active as PJ2/homecall from **Curacao (SA-099**, WLOTA LH-0942) between April 15-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL PJ2/PA7JWC via PA7JWC or LoTW. QSL via PJ2/PD7DB via PD7DB. For updates, visit Jan-Willem Web page at:

http://www.pa7jwc.nl

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 10th)
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3B8MM via DL6UAA          EN50UG via UX5UO            R3K via RN3DK
4D69DM via DU1IVT         HA50HH via HA0HH            RG50F via RT3F
5N6/YL2SW via YL2SW       HL5/DL3OCH via DL3OCH       RI1ANC via RN1ON
5W0JK via W2IJ            II3MM via IZ3DBA            RW0AJ via W3HNK
6M0HC via 6K2EJJ          J6/W0SA via 8P9NX           SN0MD via SP1PNW
6M23 via HL0DHQ           JT1DX via JT1CS             SV5/SV1LK via SV1LK
BV0EXPO via BM2JCC        KH6/K0UU via K0UU           U5ARTEK via UT7UT
C6AGN via W1DIG           LY/I0SNY via I0SNY (direct)
CT7/DL7UZO via DL7UZO     LY/I2FUG via I2FUG      UK8OAG via 4Z5OG (direct)
CT9/DL6MLA via DL6MLA     LZ02WFF via LZ1BJ           UP7Z via UN7Z
DR2011VSI via DF7AA       OM2IIHF via OM2RC           UQ50P via UN7PL
DU7/PA0HIP via PA0HIP     OX3XR via OZ3PZ             W1ESE via AI4U
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA     OY6FRA via OY1JD            XE1RK via EA5ZD
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NEW QSL ROUTE FOR V31JP AND NO LONGER THE QSL MANAGER. Lon Miller, KA9WON, reports that he is no longer the QSL Manager for V31JP. He states, "PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION AROUND SO OTHER HAMS DO NOT WASTE TIME, POSTAGE & MONEY SENDING QSLs TO ME AS I WILL ONLY BE SENDING EVERYTHING BACK TO THEM." QRZ.com is now reporting to QSL either LoTW or direct to: Joseph Pontek Sr., P.O. Box 280, Dangriga, Stann Creek District, Belize.

Fred, IK7JWX, reports that all his logs for the recent **IK7JWX, IO7DAI and IR7ITA** are available at:

http://www.enzolog.org/login.php

LT1F QSL MANAGER. Luc, LU1FAM, operator at LT1F, has confirmed that the LT1F QSL Manager is AC7DX and NOT EA5KB.

ZL8X QSL STATUS. Christian, DL1MGB, reports on April 4th: "Nearly 4,000 letters are out now. All direct OQRS requests until end of February were sent. Mario will continue now with the direct mail he received.
IMPORTANT: Please don't send any E-mails concerning 'Did you receive my QSL card?' 'When will I get my card?' We will not answer to those E-mails. It is just waste of time for you and for us. Please be patient until we send out ALL QSL cards. We keep informing you about the status of the QSL shipment. Thanks for your patience!"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4U1ITU, A45XR, EE3A, EU7SA, FJ/VE3EY, KH2/N2NL, KP2DX, OX3XR, PJ2/WI9WI, PZ5P, TO3A, V31JP, VE3JM, VE7/F5IDM, VK9NN, VQ5D and XV2W

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8/EA3BT, 3C0C, 5R8X, AA1AC/VP9, AP2NK, C5YK, EW8O, FM5AA, HL5FUA, IV3RAV, JT1CO, JW/DJ3KR, KH2/N2NL, KH2L, OJ0B, PJ4A, PX8J, PZ1DV, S9DX, T30XG, T30YA, TT8DX, V44/AA1M, VK0KEV, XF1HUQ, YW5LF, Z35T and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: CO8OTA, TI7XX and XR7W

SILENT KEY

Mitch, Wolfson, DJ0QN, reports that "the DARC has learned of the death of the Chairman of the DX and HF Contesting Committee of the DARC, Dr. Lothar Wilke, DL3TD, who was 58 years old. OM Lothar died in a house fire during the night of Thursday, April 7, 2011. His wife Christiane and some neighbors have been hospitalized for smoke inhalation. The cause of the fire and further details are not yet available from the authorities.

OM Lothar was instrumental in integrating the RSV (German Democratic Republic) with the DARC (Federal Republic of Germany) following the German reunification. An experienced contester, Lothar has been responsible for the success of DA0HQ, as well as many other activities.

With Lothar, the DARC has lost not only a key member of the DX and HF Contesting Committee, but a fine person and radio amateur. Our thoughts and condolences go out to his wife Christiane and family from the DARC Executive Committee and all members."

SV/A, MOUNT ATHOS

Rick, NE8Z, has obtained a pilgrim visa for Mount Athos and plans to visit Monk Apollo, SV2ASP/A, between April 9-16th. Rick is calling his trip the "Monk Apollo Project". He wants to donate some equipment which will help Monk Apollo improve his portable operations in Mount Athos with the intention to produce better signals in Asia which is partially blocked by a mountain behind his Monastery. One of Rick's goals is to provide what Monk Apollo needs for CW capability through the use of a MFJ646 code reader and other software. He will train Monk Apollo on CW pile up handling techniques. It is not known if Rick is allowed to become active himself. The Southeast Michigan DX Association has adopted the project of helping Monk

Apollo to improve his permanent and portable stations. Details on the project and a PayPal link for donations can be found at:

http://live.semdxa.org/
(click the "Monk Apollo Project" button).

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI (Update)

An international team will activate T31A from **Kanton Island (OC-043)** next weekend between April 17-28th. The team is currently in Apia, Samoa (see 5W above). They plan to have 6 stations on the air, operating on 160-10 meters. The following operators have been mentioned: Carlos/EA1IR, Jim/K6ZH, Dave/N1EMC, Arnie/N6HC, Bud/N7CW, John/N7CQQ, Mike/N9NS, Paul/UX2HO, Jay/W2IJ, Charlie/W6KK, Phil/W9IXX and Hrane/YT1AD. The pilot stations will be Eduardo/EA3NY and San/K5YY. The suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1843, 3798, 7084, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 3582, 7043, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50099/CW and 50120/SSB

IOTA Frequencies to be used are:
CW - 3530, 7030, 10113, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz
SSB - 3765, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz

QSL via QSL Manager W2IJ, by the Bureau or direct to: Jay Kobelin, 10628 Grandview Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701. Current plans are: "The team will leave Apia on April 13, 2011, and sail approximately 4 days. Upon arrival at Kanton, they will set up 2 sites and begin operation of their 11-12 days of operations. They will depart Kanton and arrive back in Apia on May 2, 2011." The T31A Web page is now active and available at:

http://www.T31A.com

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Press Release #2)

Paul, N6PSE, Co-Leader of the T6PSE DXpedition, reports: "The Intrepid-DX Group continues to move forward with our plans to conduct a DXpedition from Afghanistan to take place during ten days in May of 2011. Due to security concerns, the exact dates and location of the DXpedition will not be announced until the eve of our activation. The team is closely monitoring the security situation and events in the news coming from Afghanistan. Unless conditions worsen in the comings weeks, our plans are a go!

Our primary objective is to activate Afghanistan with a goal of providing as many DXers as possible a 'new one' with this rare DXCC entity and, as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible. We will focus on North and South America during those periods when propagation is possible to those areas. We anticipate that we will be working EU amateur stations nearly around the clock, but we will ask for their cooperation to allow us to work North and South America during those brief periods each day when propagation will permit us to work those far away regions.

The team consists of eight operators including: Co-Leader Paul Ewing/ N6PSE, Co-Leader David Collingham/K3LP, Hrane Milosevic/YT1AD, Krassy Petkov/K1LZ, Al

Hernandez/K3VN, David Flack/AH6HY, Alex Pavlenko/UX0LL and David Ritchie/W6DR.

You can find out more about our plans at:

http://www.intrepid-dx.com/t6pse/index.php

Thank you, Paul S. Ewing/N6PSE, Co-Leader T6PSE DXpedition"

TJ9PF VIDEO AVAILABLE ONLINE

A video on the 2011 TJ9PF DXpedition to Kribi, Cameroon, by the KOP team (DXers from F6KOP Radio Club in Provins, France), is now available online at:

http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xhrbr6_tj9pf-daily_travel

The video runs just under 20 minutes.

TM26, FRANCE (Special Event)

Members of the French CW Society, the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT), will activate special event station TM26UFT (for their 26th annual meeting) on the air between April 10-24th. Activity will be on the HF bands and on CW only. All the QSOs will be confirmed by the Bureau and the log will be uploaded on the LoTW. SWL QSL cards should go also via the French Bureau. After the operation and before QSLing, each operator will be able to check their QSO in the log on the UFT Web site at:

http://www.uft.net

Those who would like to have a direct QSL card should not QSL before July, to Gerard, F6ICG, (address correct on QRZ.com). Don't forget to send a SAE and 1 valid IRC or sufficient money for return postage (not less than 2 USDs).

TT8, CHAD

Phil, F4EGS, will once again be active as TT8PK from N'djamena, Chad, between April 15th and June 15th. Activity will be limited due to his work schedule and spare time. Operations last time was on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via F4EGS, by the Bureau or direct (see **(QRZ.com)** for details).

V2, ANTIGUA

Darrell, AB2E, will once again be active as V26E from **Antigua (NA-100)** tentatively between May 24-31st. Activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 28-29th) as Single-Op entry. All operations before and after the contests will be either on the 30/17/12 meter bands or the lower bands. QSL direct via AB2E for any and all operations from 1993 to present. Be sure to include an SASE, green stamp, or new IRC, or you won't get a card. Sorry, no Bureau cards at this time, and no eQSL. As of February 28, 2011, all logs from all V26E operations (including 2010) have been uploaded to LoTW as well.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS

John, W5JON, will once again be operating as V47JA from his Calypso Bay, St. Kitts, W.I., hillside vacation home (CQZ 8, IOTA **NA-104**, Grid FK87pg) between July 12th and August 2nd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using SSB. His activity will also include both the CQWW VHF Contest and RSGB IOTA (SSB) Contest. Equipment will be: Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, KL-400 Amplifier (400 watts) and a 80-10m Multiband Dipole and S9 Vertical; 6m

will be a 3 element yagi. His XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to his home callsign W5JON.

VK9, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Operators Needed)

Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia (HARAOA Group) are planning a major DX- pedition to **Lord Howe Island (OC-004)** as VK9HR for 10 days between July 8-17th. See OPDX.1002 for more details. The VK9HR team is looking for "any experienced CW, SSB or digital modes operators interested in attending the VK9HR Lord Howe Island Dxpedition." Please contact, if interested, the team leader Tommy, VK2IR at: **vk2ir@vk2ir.com** For more details, visit the VK9HR Web Page at:

http://www.vk9hr.com

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS

Iain, M0PCB, has been active as VP8DNA from the RAF Amateur Radio Club Station (VP8FIR/VP8RAF) located at the Mount Pleasant Airport on the **Falkland Islands (SA-002)**. Activity will last until April 22nd. Operations have been very sporadic. QSL VP8DNA via M0PCB. Logs are now uploaded to LoTW.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS (Update/QRT)

Members of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI) active as VU4PB from Port Blair went QRT at 1829z on March 31st, and the various operators have headed home to get back to their normal lives. A large number of log check requests have been generated due to the pirate activities that unfortunately took place. In press release #8, it states:

> "We request all who sent in their requests to standby while we address the emails received over the next two weeks. Only after this is done will the final logs be sent over to our QSL Manager - Joe W3HNK for QSL responses. The breakup of QSOs by continent for the operation which logged around 33,000 contacts is given below: EU - 45%, AS - 30%, NA - 20% and Others - 5%."

W3, UNITED STATES (Lighthouse Op)

Look for lighthouse special event station W3P to be operating from the annual "Waterfront Festival" at the Piney Point Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-601), MD, on Saturday, May 14th, between 1400-2000z. Activity will be on 40/20/17 meters using SSB and PSK31. Please QSL via KA3UNQ with SASE or funds for return postage.

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME (provided by John, K8YSE (k8yse@papays.com):
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